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Applicants: Stack, et al. Art Unit: 1635  
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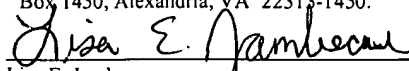
Sir:

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1. Amendment in Response to the Office Action mailed February 20, 2004;
2. Return postcard.

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Respectfully submitted,



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**AMENDMENT**

Responsive to the Office Action mailed February 20, 2004, please consider the following amendments and remarks.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 11 of this paper.

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